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Area Resident Gets 30 Years

Castro Shoots 5, Jails Boca Man

(From New York Services)

Five Cubans died today before a firing squad and 64 others, including a Boca Raton resident, Robert M. Geddes, received prison terms up to 30 years.

Geddes was sentenced to 30 years.

The military court opened yesterday at La Cabina Fortress and the quintet died at sunrise today.

Geddes, who lived with his wife, Marjorie, and daughter, Kim, 2, at 2998 NE Fifth Ave., Boca Ra-

ton, had been charged with coordinating subversive action in Havana and acting as a link between counter-revolutionary groups of the CIA for the ill-fated April 17 invasion of Cuba.

The British Embassy in Wash-

ington said today all possible diplomatic steps are being taken.

The British Embassy in Havana has been interested in this case all along and everything which can be done; and the appropriate representations have been made to the Cuban govern-

ment," said a spokesman for the embassy.

Asked if the representations have brought any response from the Cuban government the spokesman said, "We are not able to make any further comment."

Rafael Garcia Rubin, 29, who

admitted he enlisted in Miami at an anti-Castro recruiting center and trained in Panama and Guatemala as a saboteur, also was sentenced to 30 years.

The broadcast, heard in Key West, listed those executed as: Angel Posadas Gutierrez, Man-

uel Blanco Navarro, Pedro Sergio Oquilar, Jorge Rojas Castellanos and Braulio Contreras Masso.

One of 15 women convicted was Posadas Gutierrez' wife, seven months pregnant.

Individual terms of the others sentenced to prison were not specified. Fourteen drew 30-year sentences, 40 received sentences of 20 years each, and 20 were sentenced to 10 years in prison. All the charges stemmed from alleged counter-revolutionary activity in connection with the abortive April 17 invasion of Cuba.

British Ambassador Herbert Stanley was present among 200 courtroom spectators when Geddes told the tribunal: "I am completely innocent. I sympathize with the Cuban people and with Cuban institutions now ruling Cuba. I am not a political man, only a business man."

Geddes, born in Peru of British parents, was Havana representative of Perse Cigla International, a Mexican firm.

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